Amendments to the Specification

Please insert the following Table prior to the paragraph beginning on page 6,

line 22 of the specification:

TABLE 1: Characteristics of PEG-uricases from Previous Studies

Saura of	Counting	Molecular	Percent of Lysines with	Residual Uricolytic	Antigenicity or	
Source of Uricase	Coupling Linkage	Weight of PEG (kDa)	PEG Attached	Activity (%)	Immunogenicity Comments	Reference
Not reported	Azide	0.7 (diol)	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	U.S. Pat. No. 4,179,337
Candida utilis	Triazine (Cyanuric chloride)	5	% of "98": 20 26 43 48	31 21 15 5	Antigenicity with rabbit serum (% of that of the unmodified enzyme) 70% 6% 0	Nishimura, et al., 1979
Candida utilis	PEG ₂ triazine	2 x 5	22 25 36 46 50	87 70 45 31 27	86% 49% 0 0	Nishimura, et al., 1981
Candida utilis	Triazine	5	71	11	Five men tolerated two injections in 30 days.	Davis, et al., 1981
Candida utilis	Triazine according to Chen et al., 1981	5	49 61	Not reported Not reported	Similar immunogenicity in birds to native uricase Immunogenicity negative	Abuchowski, et al., 1981
Porcine liver	Triazine	5	37 47 58	60 45 28	Accelerated clearance in mice Constant Clearance (half-life ca. 8 hours)	Chen, et al., 1981
Candida utilis	Triazine	5	57	23	Constant Clearance (half-life ca. 8 hours)	
Candida utilis	Triazine according to Chen, et al., 1981	5	35 70	Not reported Not reported	PEG decreased the immuno- genicity in rabbits.	Savoca, KV, et al., (1984) Int Arch Allergy Appl Immunol 75:58-67
Candida utilis	Triazine	5	Not reported	Not reported	PEG-uricase was given orally to chickens in liposomes (once).	Nishida, Y, et al., (1984) J Pharm Pharmacol 36 :354-355
Candida utilis	Triazine	5 7.5 10	44 45 28 37 41 45	9.4 7.8 32 11 3 7.3	Immunogenicity was reduced, but positive in rabbits. (Antibodies are not to uricase; they cross react with PEGsuperoxide dismutase.) Antigenicity tested with guinea pig antibodies was reduced.	Tsuji, et al., 1985
Arthrobacter protoformiae	Not reported	5	Not reported	Not reported	No antibodies were detected by ELISA 26 days after the first of four PEG-uricase injections.	Chua, et al., 1988
Candida utilis	PEG ₂ triazine	2 x 5	10 12 15 21 38	90 89 80 70 60	Not reported Not reported Not reported Not reported Antigenicity tested with rabbit serum was reduced by 75%.	Yasuda, et al., 1990
Candida utilis	PEG ₂ triazine	2 x 5	22	68	Single injection. PEG increased the half-life from ca. 1 h to ca. 8 h in mice. PEG blocked clearance by liver, spleen and kidney (24-h study duration).	Fujita, et al., 1991

Not reported PEG Not PEG2 reported Linkage not stated	Not reported Reported to be the same as for PEG	Not reported Not reported	Immunogenicity in mice was decreased by 98% (PEG) or 100% (PEG ₂).	Veronese, et al., 1997
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